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In re Patent Application of

Rober Radulescu

Application No.: 10/614,924

Filing Date: July 8, 2003

Group Art Unit: 1733

Examiner: STEVEN D MAKI

Confirmation No.: 9233

Title: DIRECTIONAL TREAD HAVING INCISIONS OF VARYING INCLINATION

**AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

- A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.  
 Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the  \$65.00 (2814)  \$130.00 (1814) fee per Disclaimer due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.  
 Also enclosed is/are \_\_\_\_\_  
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- Small entity status is hereby claimed.  
 Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the  \$395.00 (2801)  \$790.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).  
 Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments not be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above.  
 Applicant(s) previously submitted \_\_\_\_\_

on \_\_\_\_\_, for which continued examination is requested.

- Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least \_\_\_\_\_, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.  
 A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.

- No additional claim fee is required.  
 An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below.

AMENDED CLAIMS					
	No. of Claims	Highest No. of Claims Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	9	MINUS 20 =	0	x \$50.00 (1202) =	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	2	MINUS 3 =	0	x \$200.00 (1201) =	\$ 0.00
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$360.00 (1203)					
Total Claim Amendment Fee					
<input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity Status claimed - subtract 50% of Total Claim Amendment Fee					
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>					
<b>\$ 0.00</b>					

- A check in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed for the fee due.  
 Charge \_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.  
 Charge \_\_\_\_\_ to credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT

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Sir:

In response to the Office communication dated September 15, 2005, it is submitted that the sheet of drawing (depicting Figs. 1-3 of the subject application) attached to the September 2, 2005 Amendment was not intended to be a replacement sheet.

Please note that the drawing sheet attached to the September 2<sup>nd</sup> response was merely intended as an exhibit to aid in explaining the remarks made in the amendment. See page 7, second paragraph stating:

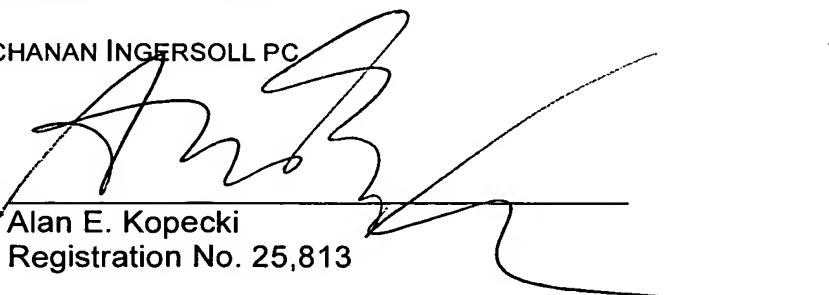
"(For example, as shown in the attached marked-up copy of the Fig. 2 embodiment, the angle  $\alpha$  is larger than the angle  $\alpha'$ .)"

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that the response as filed on September 2, 2005 is in compliance with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121, and that no correction thereto is required.

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